



**August 10, 2015**

## **August 6 Local Agency Conference Call**

Thank you for participating in the Local Agency Conference Call last week, there were many important topics covered. If you were unable to be on the call, or would like to review any of the information discussed, please watch the [recording of the presentation](#) and contact the appropriate state staff with any questions.

## **The new Bernadette**

I'm Kelly Aughney and will be taking over for Bernadette. I'm originally from the Gallatin Valley and attended MSU-Bozeman. Go Cats! I returned to MT after a tour in the USAF as a surgical tech, and I'm delighted to be with the MT WIC Program. I look forward to working with all of you.

## **FY2016 Monitoring**

Please review the [tentative monitoring schedules](#) for FY2016. If you have any questions, or if these dates do not work for your agency, please call Kelly at 444-0909, or email her at [KAughney@mt.gov](mailto:KAughney@mt.gov). Thank you.

## **Adjunctive Eligibility and Tribal Eligibility**

Adjunctive and tribal eligibility are now separate choices in the income tab. Please use the correct the option when documenting income eligibility.

## **Moodle**

[Moodle](#) is a great training application to help eliminate paperwork and ensure that employee training is completed. The M-Spirit training modules will be moved to Moodle starting October 1, 2015, and removed from [wic.mt.gov](http://wic.mt.gov). New employees must have a state assigned user ID in order to log into Moodle. Please complete the required form (OM-300B) and submit to Blair Hendricks. We also provided you with the [Moodle Cheat Sheet](#) for general information.

Keep in mind that if your clinic expects new employees to start before October 1, then they must complete all M-Spirit training modules by September 30, 2015. If training is not completed prior to October 1, then they will have to start over in Moodle. If your new employee does not have enough time to complete the modules prior to October 1, then we suggest that they not watch any modules until then. Please plan accordingly.

If you have questions about Moodle please contact Lacy Little via [email](#) or 444-5923.

## WICHealth Education Resource

As discussed on the LA conference call, [WICHealth.org](http://WICHealth.org) is an awesome education website that can be utilized for education appointments for low risk participants. Participants can complete the education class online and email or bring in their certificate to clinic. The clinic can then mail or give the checks to the participant. Debbie Hirshberg with Missoula WIC has utilized this program and has agreed to answer any questions about using this education resource. You can contact her via [email](mailto:debbie.hirshberg@missoula.wic.org) or 406-258-3826. Lacy Little at the state WIC office can also answer any questions and help set up the email for each clinic. You can contact Lacy via [email](mailto:lacy.little@mt.wic.org) or 444-5923. Please review this [handout](#) to give to participants explaining what WICHealth.org is and the lessons provided.

## Voter Registration

Please make sure you chose the correct option for the voter registration dropdown box on the Demographics Screen.

**Already Registered** = Participant/authorized rep is already registered to vote

**Yes** = Participant/authorized representative took a voter registration form and/or the clinic helped them register.

This DOES NOT mean the participant/authorized representative is already registered!!

**No** = Participant/authorized representative is not registered to vote and did not accept the voter registration form and/or help.

## Ravalli County WIC Program Receives Loving Support Award

Congratulations go out the Ravalli County WIC Program staff, Jackie Cenis, Teresa Messerman, Linda Seed and Cassandra Welsh. They received a Gold Loving Support Award of Excellence. Local programs had to apply for the award submitting extensive documentation of their policies, practices and activities related to the promotion and support of breastfeeding. The applications were reviewed and scored against set criteria by both USDA and the applicant's state WIC program. The Ravalli WIC Program was the only Montana applicant.



Left to Right, Linda Seed (BPC), Cassandra Welsh (Aide), Jackie Cenis (Coordinator and CPA), Teresa Messerman (CPA)

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